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Leaders of Empire Meet in Conference At Federal Capital

The Most Momentous Gathering of Imperial Statesmen in Empire's History Opened by the Governor-General — Premier Bennett Elected Chairman—Empire Unity the Keynote of Able Speeches.

OTTAWA, July 21—Following a cheering message of welcome from the carillon bells to Empire delegates, the Imperial Economic Conference was opened in the Parliament buildings at 11 o'clock this morning by His Excellency the Earl of Bessborough. The proceedings were held in the Commons Chamber, which was crowded to capacity by the delegates, numbering five hundred, members of the diplomatic corps, representatives of the press and others.

His Excellency was attended by a mounted escort and was greeted on his arrival at the Parliament building by a military guard of honor. As he entered the building the carillon bells pealed forth the National Anthem. An immense crowd of people thronged the space on Parliament Hill and adjoining streets.

Message from King

His Excellency, in opening the Conference, read a message from His Majesty the King, and delivered a brief address, welcoming the delegates to Canada, and expressing the hope that the Conference would achieve its purpose.

On motion of Right Hon. Stanley Baldwin, Premier Bennett, who heads the Canadian delegation, was unanimously elected president. Speeches by Premier Bennett, Rt. Hon. Stanley Baldwin, Rt. Hon. Stanley Bruce, Rt. Hon. J. E. Coates and other representatives of the dominions, followed, after which an adjournment was made until afternoon, when committees will meet.

The Governor-General

His Excellency, the first Governor-General to make his appearance in the Commons Chamber was escorted to the speaker's chair. He opened the proceedings by reading a message from His Majesty the King, who declared that his thoughts and prayers were upon the conference which he said means a new page in Empire history. He trusted that the delegates would be animated by a true spirit of co-operation and that the efforts on behalf of the Empire and the world at large would be attended with every success.

His Excellency continuing cordially welcomed the delegates to Canada, and expressed the hope that the conference would be successful. He thanked all for the cordial manner in which they had accepted the invitation to come to Ottawa, and could assure them that the government and all Canada appreciated it. While the Conference was burdened with a great responsibility, which affected the welfare of millions of people, he was sure that they recognized that responsibility and would do their utmost to make the conference a success. After referring to a colonial conference held at Ottawa twenty eight years ago, and reciting empire events of recent years, His Excellency pointed out that located in the Parliament building was a memorial chamber wherein was proof of Canada's glorious contribution to the Imperial cause. While the shadow of war was no longer upon the world it still faced the consequences of war in the form of the most serious economic crisis the world had ever known. He assured the delegates that they would have the prayers of

all Canada for divine guidance in their deliberations.

Bennett is Chairman

Right Hon. Stanley Baldwin in a brief speech proposed the name of Premier Bennett for chairman, which motion was seconded and unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The first business was the adoption of a message of loyalty to His Majesty the King, which was proposed by the chairman. It was ordered to be forwarded at once.

Premier Bennett

Right Hon. R. B. Bennett then addressed the conference, speaking for fifteen minutes. In ringing tones he outlined the work to be undertaken and stated that Canada was ready to do her part in the promotion of empire trade. Referring to the Economic depression of the world he stated that recovery was beyond the strength of any single nation. The problem which faced the conference he said, was a great one but it could not hesitate and must go forward. Knowing that success would mean greater prosperity for the world, they should not ask others to do for them what they were unprepared to do for themselves. He assured the delegates that Canada was prepared to do her part towards achieving the goal aimed at by the conference. What Canada needed was greater markets within the Empire. As for the empire it comprised one quarter of the world's population and could not shut itself in from contact with the rest of the world.

Larger Markets

Mr. Bennett went on to say that means must be provided whereby Canada can obtain greater empire markets. The manufacturers had long enjoyed a measure of protection, but there was

TWO SLAIN IN A MACHINE GUN ATTACK

(Special to the DAILY MAIL by the British United Press)

Shawano, Wis., July 21—Two men, both believed to be members of the turbulent Chicago teamsters union were slain today in a machine gun killing at a roadside bar five miles from here.

Credentials carried by the slain men identified them as Patrick Barrell, Chicago, and William Marx also of Chicago.

Fishing Parties

L. B. Curtis, of Bridgeport, Conn., arrived by auto today and will spend a few days' salmon fishing at the Hart's Island Salmon Pool, with Raymond Currie as guide. Mr. and Mrs. Perry, of New Jersey are enjoying a brief sojourn at Roland Wheeler's camps at the Hart's Island Pool. Last evening Mr. Perry made his first try at salmon fishing and succeeded in landing a nice grilse. Mrs. Perry is also trying out the sport.

All men are fond of gingerbread. Can they get it anywhere except at home? Why isn't more attention paid to what men like?

Little for the natural products and he hoped to devise a means by which there would be greater equalization of the benefits. In the readjustment it was proposed to make changes in the tariff, and he was sure that good would result from the change. Canada had long enjoyed free entry of its products to the markets of the Mother Country and it was now proposed to reciprocate to a considerable extent. The free list from Great Britain will be extended and the existing preference will be increased. He hoped that whatever agreement was made would be an enduring one. Canada must determine her course and follow it, but did not favor eternal agreements. He was certain that the Conference could work out a plan for the benefit of all, but it must be made so that the dominions will be free to make trade agreements with other nations.

While Canada's proposals will be directed to the United Kingdom, he said they will be offered to all parts of the empire.

In conclusion he said that the Empire had travelled a long road and was now at the crossroads but he had faith and hope that the right course would be taken by the conference.

Ex-Premier Baldwin

Right Hon. Stanley Baldwin who spoke next, gave assurance that the conference would do everything possible to accomplish its purpose. He pointed out that 30 per cent of Britain's trade was now within the empire and 70 per cent with foreign countries, and that the possibilities of expansion within the empire was enormous. He considered the extension of empire trade as the most hopeful means of promoting world progress. He urged the removal of existing barriers of trade, the settlement of reparations and reduction of taxation and debts as the best means of promoting world prosperity. "We cannot," he said in conclusion, "eliminate ourselves from the rest of the world and remember any action we take here is bound to have its reaction elsewhere. The elimination of trade barriers within the empire is best calculated to benefit the empire and serve the ends of civilization."

HOOVER HAS NEW PLAN TO APPEASE DRYS

An Important Declaration for Acceptance Speech

EIGHTEENTH AMENDMENT

Only Congress Has the Power to Pass Upon Its Repeal

(Special to the DAILY MAIL by the British United Press)

Washington, D. C., July 21—President Hoover is considering declaring in his acceptance speech that a President has nothing whatever to do with constitutional amendments, a move designed to appease the drys and lift himself out of the clamor over re-submission and repeal of the 18th amendment.

Mr. Hoover is contemplating taking the position that original insertion or repeal of amendments is left by the constitution wholly to representatives of the people in Congress, that he can not pass upon them as he can ordinary legislation.

The President then would point out that while the Republican party has suggested a retest of the 18th amendment, this is entirely up to the voters through their election of congressmen.

R. R. SPEED MARKS SET IN OLD COUNTRY

London, England, July 21—A new European speed record for a railway journey exceeding 150 miles was made today by the London Midland & Scottish railway's Liverpool-to-London train. The train is scheduled to do the 152 1/2 miles from Crewe to Willesden in 142 minutes, but it arrived several minutes ahead of time.

Other records were made today. The Flying Scotsman train beat its own record from London to Edinburgh, covering the 392 1/4 miles in 7 hours and 27 minutes, an average of 56 miles an hour.

The Royal Scot train from London to Glasgow passed through Carlisle three minutes ahead of schedule, breaking previous records for this run.

WANTS \$40,000 FOR SPANKING

Topeka, July 20—Forty thousand dollars for a spanking is what Miss Georgia Hill, 18, desires. She has filed suit saying former schoolmates at Goodland, Kansas, stretched her across an automobile and paddled her with a slipped.

STRUCK BY CAR BADLY BRUISED NO BONES BROKEN

Frank Hicks, aged 13, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hicks, Aberdeen St., is at his home today, suffering from shock and bruises as the result of being struck by an automobile yesterday afternoon.

Young Hicks was hit by the car driven by Fraser Dunbar, of this city directly in front of the Old Government (R. R. S. C. R.) buildings on the Woodstock Road. How the accident happened neither Mr. Dunbar or young Hicks could afterwards tell. The car was proceeding towards the Hermitage where the St. Dunstan's picnic was in progress. No blame is attached to the driver of the car. Today the young man was reported fairly comfortable, and the physician called, reported no bones broken. It was, however, a narrow escape.

Civil War is Looming Up in German Reich

Socialist Paper Declares That Hohenzollern Shadow is Hanging Over the Country—Great Power is Held by the Von Papen Government.

BERLIN, July 21—The old aristocracy of the Hohenzollern dynasty, returned to power through virtual dictatorship and martial law in Prussia, planned today to grasp absolute power in The Reich by removing more Socialist officials and possibility outlawing Communists who intend to strike.

The government under the cabinet formed by Fritz Von Papen, one-time spy in the United States, already holds the greatest power in the nation's history—power grander than that held in Bismarck's day.

On Eve of Civil War

BERLIN, Paris, July 21—The Reich is on the eve of civil war and the Hohenzollern shadow hangs over the country, Le Populaire, organ of the French Socialists said today.

JUDGE MARTELL TO TAKE STAND IN OWN BEHALF

Halifax, N. S., July 30—Charged with misconduct, Judge L. H. Martell, of County Court district Number Four, will take the witness stand on Thursday to face evidence to the effect that he was habitually intoxicated, that he presided in court while in that condition and that he frequently passed cheques for which there was not sufficient funds.

This was announced by his counsel, William Ferguson, of Truro, whose request for a month's adjournment of the hearing before Chief Justice J. A. Chisholm was refused.

Mr. Ferguson made his request after H. P. Duchemin, K.C., counsel for the complainants, stated he had concluded the evidence for his case. Mr. Duchemin protested against a long adjournment and was sustained by the Chief Justice.

A statement that the judge had no suspenders on his socks and they were hanging down when he visited the Scotia Hotel in Truro early in 1932 featured yesterday's session of the enquiry at which four witnesses were heard.

This evidence was given by Nelson Allett, now of Montreal, who was manager of the hotel from June, 1931, to April, 1932. He said the judge had been careless about his appearance.

"Did his condition give you the impression he had been drinking?"

"Yes it did."

"Did his conversation confirm the impression he had been drinking?"

"Not in his talk, but in his condition."

Mr. Allett said the judge had given his cheques for which there were not sufficient funds.

Marriage Of Interest

A marriage of interest locally and the parish of Douglas took place on Wednesday evening, July 20, at Christchurch Parish Church, when Rev. W. J. Bate, united in marriage Dennis Robin Constant, of the Parish of Douglas and Miss Louise Angelina Price, of this city, formerly of Carroll's Crossing, Northumberland County. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Price, of Carroll's Crossing. The young couple after their honeymoon, will reside at Douglas, where the groom is employed.

IRISH SENATE HASTIED UP THE OATH BILL

Dublin, July 20—The Senate of the Irish Free State struck twice today to delay the Government's bills for abolishing retaliatory tariffs on British goods.

The bill for abolition of the oath had been freely amended by the Senate, but the changes were summarily rejected by The Dail on July 12. The Senate today upheld all the amendments it had made and consequently the bill will be suspended for eighteen months, after which it will become law in its original form unless a general election or some change of policy intervenes.

The emergency duties bill passed through its final stages in the Senate tonight, but with an important recommendation which will necessitate a special meeting of the Dail, now on its summer recess. The measure, empowering the Government to impose tariffs of any amount, is designed as a reprisal for the 20 per cent tariffs on Free State goods levied by the British Government after President de Valera's decision to withhold the land annuities.

By a vote of 29 to 18 the Senate carried a recommendation to delete from the bill its first section. The section sanctions the imposing of stamp duties of an unspecified amount on any documents and agreements connected with commercial transactions.

Reaped Tears Instead

The unemployment craze may have been the cause of a recent incident which set an ordinary unruffled housewife on edge. Anyway, this particular housewife planted grass and flower seed on her lawn earlier this summer. Recently the flowers bloomed and the grass has greened splendidly. But—and here is the rub . . . along with the flowers and even growth of grass there was a kindly bean, a gorgeous patch of cabbage, and a cucumber plant. "But this was not of my doing," raved this housewife, and proceeded to pan out members of the family, whom she suspected of a practical joke. Now, may not this have been the foresight of a depression enthusiast, who figured on reaping the harvest of even a stray bean or cabbage in these hard times?